

Claims: Claims 1, 3-5, and 8-11 are amended in this office action response. Additions are indicated by underlining. Deletions are indicated by strikeouts. No claims are canceled in this office action response. No claims are added in this office action response. Upon entry of this amendment, claims 1-15 will be pending.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A button, ~~for engaging an electrical switch~~ comprising:
 - a button post ~~that~~ to transmits a vertical motion of the button to a first side of the an electrical switch;
 - an alignment post ~~that~~ to registers against a second side of the electrical switch ~~and reduces lateral motion of the button~~; and
 - at least two runners ~~that~~ to connect the button to a frame ~~and include reinforcement that stiffens the vertical motion of the button~~.
2. (Original) The button of claim 1, wherein the button is included in a button set that comprises a plurality of buttons.
3. (Currently Amended) The button of claim 1, ~~wherein the~~ further comprising a reinforcement to stiffen the vertical motion of the button, with the reinforcement comprises comprising:
 - a rectangular panel having two supporting ribs located on diagonals of the panel.
4. (Currently Amended) The button of claim 1, wherein the alignment post, and the two runners, ~~and the reinforcement~~ are formed from plastic.
5. (Currently Amended) The button of claim 3 4, wherein the reinforcement is molded along with the two runners.

6. (Original) The button of claim 1, wherein the button is located on an electronic device.

7. (Original) The button of claim 6, wherein the electronic device is selected from the group consisting of:

a scanner, a camera, a printer, a copier, a facsimile machine, and a computer.

8. (Currently Amended) A button set that comprises a plurality of buttons, each button of the plurality of buttons configured to engages an associated electrical switch of a plurality of electrical switches, the button set comprising comprises:

a plurality of button posts, each of which is associated with a respective button and configured to transmits a vertical motion of the respective button to a first side of the associated electrical switch;

a plurality of alignment posts, each of which is associated with a respective button and configured to registers against a second side of the associated electrical switch ~~and reduces lateral motion of the respective button;~~
and

a plurality of runners, with a pair of runners of the plurality of runners associated with a respective button and configured to connects the respective button to a frame, ~~wherein each pair includes reinforcement that stiffens the vertical motion of the respective button.~~

9. (Previously Presented) The button set of claim 8, wherein each pair of the runners includes a reinforcement comprising comprises:

a rectangular panel having two ridges located on diagonals of the panel.

10. (Currently Amended) The button set of claim 8, wherein the plurality of alignment posts, and the plurality of runners, ~~and each reinforcement~~ are formed from plastic.
11. (Currently Amended) The button set of claim 9 8, wherein the reinforcement is molded along with the runners.
12. (Original) The button set of claim 8, wherein the button set is located on an electronic device.
13. (Original) The button set of claim 12, wherein the electronic device is selected from the group consisting of:
a scanner, a camera, a printer, a copier, a facsimile machine, and a computer.
14. (Original) A button for engaging an electrical switch comprising:
means for transmitting a vertical motion of the button to the electrical switch;
means for reducing lateral motion of the button; and
means for stiffening the vertical motion of the button.
15. (Original) A button for engaging an electrical switch comprising:
means for reducing wobble of the button; and
means for reducing dead spots of the button.